

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge James Black Todd will expire on March 31, 2010. The United States District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky, is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight year term.

A full public notice for the magistrate judge position is posted in the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court, 101 Barr Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507. The notice is also available on the Court's internet website at www.kyed.uscourts.gov.

The duties of the magistrate judge's position include the following: (1) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; and (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the Judges of the District Court.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the court and should be directed to:

Leslie G. Whitmer, Clerk of Court
U. S. District Court
Eastern District of Kentucky
P. O. Box 3074
Lexington, KY 40588-3074

Comments must be received not later than June 12, 2009.